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FROM: Chief, IEG, NPIC		

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1. Titles and Duties of Assignments

a. Titles: Deputy Chief, Imagery Exploitation Group, NPIC; Chief, DIAXX-4.

b. Duties of Assignments: Served as deputy to a GS-17 level Group Chief with the National Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC). He participated in the management of the analysis, on an all-source basis of multi-sensor imagery in support of the national intelligence effort. The group is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of all substantive information and measurements developed in this analysis, for special tasks of analysis and evaluation of imagery as called for by higher authority, and for the presentation of the results of the NPIC's imagery analysis effort to the intelligence community.

As Chief, DIAXX-4 he was responsible for directing, managing, training, and the career development of the military officers and civilian employees of the Defense Intelligence Agency assigned to the national center and to the Operations Staff, DIAXX-4.

2. Actions Warranting Legion of Merit Award

STAT USA, distinguished himself by exceptionally meritorious service to the United States as Deputy Chief, Imagery Exploitation Group at the National Photographic Interpretation Center (NPIC) from 1 July 1968 to 30 June 1970.

STAT arrival at NPIC coincided with the implementation of a major reorganization that melded all of the intelligence producing elements into the Imagery Exploitation Group. As Deputy Chief of this Group he shared responsibility for shaping this Group, which includes

120 DIA and 298 CIA employees into a cohesive production unit. This Group was involved at the same time in the implementation of the National Tasking Plan for the Exploitation of Multi-Sensor Imagery (NTP).

STAT [] displayed exceptional talent in stepping into this position at this critical time. His original and creative leadership was an important factor in the success of both the reorganization and the NTP. An accomplished writer, he spent considerable time and effort planning, directing, and reviewing style manuals, guidelines, formats, etc., which served to guide the production effort toward meeting NPIC's objectives and the intelligence community's needs for accurate, succinct, and timely reporting of imagery information. His consistently excellent analysis and review of NPIC reports resulted in reporting that was more responsive to stated intelligence needs. A professional intelligence officer he immediately recognized the significance of new finds and kept his superiors informed of the importance and potential impact of these imagery discoveries.

STAT [] has also applied his talents to the solution of problems related to intelligence processing, viewing equipment, and automatic data processing. He applied his keen insight to the planning, budgeting and directing sessions related to the exploitation of on-coming systems. These sessions are some of the most important at the NPIC since sound judgments must be made within budgetary, time, and space constraints. His remarkable ability to translate complicated problems into meaningful action papers for management decisions was instrumental in many cases to IEG and NPIC being prepared to handle the products of these systems.

Aware of the need and importance of training in this dynamic, scientific environment he fostered and encouraged efforts to sustain and improve the imagery exploitation endeavor. Aware, too, of the continuing need for fine intelligence officers at NPIC and in the Armed Forces he encouraged and counseled young officers on the need to develop their skills in order to enhance the professionalism of the imagery analysis cadre. His activities in this area not only added to the professional development of the DIA officer and civilian personnel directly under his command but also inspired all with the Group to higher achievement.

Most important of all in a Center that combines the finest of a number of talents in the nation, [] by his tact, maturity and professionalism has played an important role in promoting the harmonious management working relationship in this important national effort.

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